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SUBJECT: (1) STATUS OF ALFREDO BRAVO DETENTION;
(2) PEREZ ESQUIVEL CASE

REF: STATE 110572

1. EMBASSY PLEASED WITH PROMISING RESULTS OF DEPARTMENT'S PRELIMINARY SOUNDINGS AND WE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL. WE HAVE HAD ANOTHER CONVERSATION WITH MRS. BRAVO, WHO IS ALSO PROFOUNDLY APPRECIATIVE, AND SHE IS NOW IN PROCESS OF DISCUSSING OPTIONS WITH HER HUSBAND. AS SOON AS WE HAVE BRAVO'S REPLY AND RECONFIRM THE DISPOSITION OF GOA AUTHORITIES, EMBASSY WILL PRESENT PROPOSAL TO DEPARTMENT.

2. MRS. BRAVO STATED THAT INTERIOR MINISTER HARGUINDEGUY HAS PREPARED A DRAFT DECREE NOW UNDER STUDY IN THE ARMY COMMAND WHICH WOULD GRANT CONDITIONAL LIBERTY ("LIBERTAD VIGILADA") TO CERTAIN PEN DETAINEES INCLUDING BRAVO AND ADOLFO M. PEREZ ESQUIVEL. IT IS MRS. BRAVO'S UNDERSTANDING THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DRAFT PROPOSAL, INDIVIDUALS RELEASED UNDER THIS DISPOSITION COULD

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RETURN TO THEIR JOBS BUT THEY WOULD HAVE TO REPORT REGULARLY TO SECURITY AUTHORITIES AND REMAIN WITHIN A CERTAIN GEOGRAPHIC AREA. IF SUCH A DECREE

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WERE TO BE ISSUED WITH BRAVO INCLUDED IN IT, HE COULD NOT TRAVEL ABROAD. MRS. BRAVO SAID THAT IN HER VIEW IT WAS PREFERABLE FOR HER HUSBAND, WHO IS NOT IN GOOD HEALTH, TO LIVE ABROAD FOR SOME PERIOD OF TIME--SO LONG AS THIS COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED AS AN ACT OF HIS OWN FREE VOLITION AND NOT UNDER THE STIGMA OF THE "RIGHT OF OPTION". THESE ISSUES SHE INTENDS TO TALK OUT WITH HER HUSBAND.
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